

**THE NETHERLANDS****1. LEGISLATION IN FORCE**

The Dutch pasta regulation (Decision of 20<sup>th</sup> June 1924 laying down rules for the application of articles 14 and 15 of the Flour Law as amended by the Decision of 23<sup>rd</sup> January 1998) has been revoked within the framework of a deregulation process.

The Dutch Government does not intend to implement the new Benelux regulation M (99) 11, because it is in contradiction with the current governmental views on food legislation of this kind. The Dutch government indicated that it would propose to withdraw the Benelux regulation.

This means that for pasta no specific vertical legislation remains in place but only horizontal food legislation (labelling, additives, hygiene) is applicable.

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